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In re application of:

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09/534,836

Filed: For:

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METHOD, ARTICLE AND APPARATUS FOR

REGISTRANTS, SUCH AS VOTER REGISTRANTS

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS **WASHINGTON DC 20231**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Applicant has previously claimed small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

A Petition for an Extension of Time for month is enclosed.

A General Authorization Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) is enclosed.

No additional claim fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown.

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SMALL ENTITY			OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	OR	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
x 9	\$		x 18	\$ 0.00
x 40	\$		x 80	\$ 0.00
+130	\$	OR	+260	\$
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 1, before TECHNICAL FIELD, please add the following: